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We've all been told at least one horror story about a teacher who makes a poor judgment call because they're scared of the legal ramifications of their action. For example, I heard of a teacher who did not give a student his inhaler because the proper permission form had not been signed. Is it ever okay to use our own judgment and make a decision that goes against the law?

Since all district personnel have different legal priorities, and in-house council won't necessarily provide the most practical and useful information for our positions as teachers, then where is the best place for us to find legal explanations in layman's terms?